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1. DEPT SINCE RECEIPT OF REFTELS HAS BEEN CONTACTING WORLD TEAM TENNIS. BASED ON CONVERSATIONS WITH NUMBER OF WTT STAFF MEMBERS, DEPT CAN PROVIDE SOME PRELIMINARY INFO. LARRY KING HAS BEEN ON EXTENSIVE SERIES OF TRAVELS FOLLOWING CONCLUSION OF RECENT US-USSR MATCHES. KING WILL BE ARRANGING TO TALK DIRECTLY WITH DEPT (EUR/SOV) WITHIN WEEK OF APR 24-30, WHEN HIS SCHEDULE WILL PERMIT HIM TO PRESENT HIS IN-DEPTH VIEWS REGARDING FUTURE DIRECTION OF WTT RELATIONS WITH USSR.

2. DEPT UNDERSTANDS THAT A LETTER FROM WILLIAM BEEREMAN, UNCLASSIFIED UNCLASSIFIED

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ONE OF THE FRANCHISE OWNERS AND BOARD MEMBERS OF WTT, HAS ALREADY BEEN SENT TO AMBASSADOR STOESEL. BEEREMAN

IN THAT LETTER HAS OUTLINED SOME POSSIBILITIES FOR WTT  
PROGRAMS WITH THE USSR. DEPT ALSO UNDERSTANDS THAT WTT  
BOARD HAS BEEN ACTIVELY DISCUSSING RECENT US-USSR SERIES  
WITH VIEW TOWARD ARRIVING AT A DECISION ON FUTURE DIRECTION  
TO FOLLOW. IN GENERAL, WTT SEEMS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED BY  
RESULTS OF US-USSR MATCHES. DEPT WILL RELAY FURTHER INFO  
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